

## Virginia Emergency Operations Center

Severe Weather/Flash Flooding

Situation Report #2

As of 1500 hours 8 October 2006

### **SITUATION:**

Rainfall of 8 to 12 inches from a low pressure system along the North Carolina coast began to impact Southeast Virginia on Friday, 6 October and has continued ***throughout Saturday***. Flash flooding occurred in several localities in Southeast ***and Central*** Virginia resulting in road closures and some evacuations.

### **WEATHER:**

**Today:** Mostly cloudy with a 50% chance of showers throughout the day. High temperature in the upper 60's with low temperatures in the mid 50's. Northeast winds 8 to 11 MPH. ***Tonight: partly cloudy with lows around 53, northeast winds between 5 and 7 mph. Monday, 9 October: partly cloudy with highs near 77, north winds between 3 and 7 mph. Next chance of showers on Wednesday, 11 October.***

### **LOCAL ACTIVITIES:**

#### **Local Emergency Declarations:**

- Surry County
- Sussex County
- Isle of Wight County
- James City County
- Southampton County

#### **Local Emergency Operation Centers Activated:**

- Surry County
- Sussex County
- Isle of Wight County, ***closed at 2000 hours, 7 October, reopened 0700 hours 8 October***
- James City County, ***closed at 2100 hours, 7 October***
- Prince George County, ***closed at 1600 hours, 7 October***

#### **Evacuations/Shelters:**

- ***City of Richmond – Closed at 1000 hours with no one sheltered.***
- Sussex County – 45 people evacuated; 1 shelter open with 3 sheltered. ***Shelter now closed, but monitoring situation in Stony Creek.***
- Isle of Wight County – 20 people evacuated; 1 shelter opened at 1100 hours assisted 5 people and closed at 1740 hours.
- James City County – 25 people evacuated and no shelter open.
- ***Surry County – opened shelter on 7 October. Shelter closed due to no residents requiring shelter.***

#### **Local Response Issues:**

- ***Southampton County: Water system in Zuni inoperable, affecting 40 customers. Bottled water request coordinated by VEOC. Bottled water being made available for affected residents; costs being incurred by Southampton County. Emergency personnel on standby to conduct door-to-door notifications in areas likely to flood.***
- ***City of Franklin: Notified city businesses likely to be flooded in order to take preventive measures. City as well as private boats on standby for possible rescue operations. Emergency personnel placed on standby.***
- ***City of Richmond: Battery Park flooding reoccurred. Health Department is responding to City of Richmond request for disinfectant procedures for flooding in Battery Park.***
- ***Isle of Wight County: IDA teams deployed to affected areas. PDA team concluded that most damage is affected area is from flooding and is not causing structural damage.***
- ***James City County: IDA teams deployed to affected areas.***

### **STATE ACTIVITIES:**

- Department of Emergency Management: Virginia Emergency Operations Center augmented with limited staff. Coordinated resource requests from localities and conference calls with State Agencies. Monitoring *local situations and* National Weather Service forecast and advisories and notifying appropriate localities. *Responded to Legislative Inquiry reference roads in Smithfield. Regional Coordinator Wills participating in 4 p.m. 8 October meeting at City of Franklin's EOC.*
- State Police: *Staff on extended hours with additional staff on call. Occupied with road closures and re-routing. Swift Water Rescue Team has been stood down.*
- Department of Transportation: *2 Primary roads (Route 35 at 606 and 460 at Zuni both in Southampton County) and 134 Secondary roads closed. Monitoring for possible flooding of Interstate 95 at Stony Creek (Exit 31) underway with no flooding reported at this time.* Assisting localities with signage and making necessary repairs.
- National Guard: Notified of possible needs for resources and no resources were needed and/or utilized.

### **PROJECTED ACTIONS:**

- Continue monitoring situation with localities and National Weather Service
- Respond to request for assistance
- Coordinate with State Agencies

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